



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/698,961  
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Applicant: Sivakumar Ramasamy, et al.  
Group Art Unit: 3677  
Examiner: Jeffrey Sharp  
Title: BREAK AWAY FASTENING SYSTEM  
Attorney Docket: 0275M-000666/COB

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Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 16, 2007, please consider the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Applicants hereby petition under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a one month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and include a Fee Transmittal authorizing the use of Deposit Account 02-2550 with this response for such extension of time.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.